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PRICE ONE CENT

THERE

Will be Lively Times

When Roberts and
Kitchener Arrive.

Methuen Reports Boer
Force Increasing.

Boers Are Entrenched Near
Methuen's Camp.

No Change In South African
Situation.

London, Dec. 27.—(Spl.)—The War office has received a dispatch from Cape Town, dated December 26, saying that there is no change in the South African situation. General Methuen reports that the enemy's force has increased and is engaged in entrenching three and one half miles from his outlying pickets. Methuen reconnoitered with two squadrons of mounted infantry for two miles along the line and drew the fire of four guns. Only four horses were hurt.

On Their Way.
Gibraltar, Dec. 17.—(Special.)—The British steamer Dunottar Castle, having on board General Lord Roberts, commander-in-chief of the British forces in South Africa, arrived here yesterday evening. Gen. Kitchener, who came from Egypt to join General Roberts, embarked on board the vessel and she sailed away early this morning for Cape Town.

Murder at Springfield.
Springfield, O., Dec. 27.—(Special.)—Frank Coe murdered his wife, then shot himself early this morning. Domestic trouble was the cause.

Fire at Ft. Wayne.
Ft. Wayne, Dec. 27.—(Spl.)—Fire at five o'clock this morning destroyed the wholesale and retail dry goods establishment of Geo. DeWald & Co. The total loss aggregated \$200,000; Insurance \$185,000.

Boston Firm Fails.
Boston, Dec. 27.—(Spl.)—E. C. Hodges & Company, bankers and brokers, suspended business today. The firm is one of the largest in the city. Its dealings have been principally in municipal bonds. The firm is a member of the Boston and New York Stock Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade.

HER FLIGHT

Was Sudden—Where-
abouts Are Unknown.

Fortune Teller Left the City—Gold
Watch Is Missing.

Mme. La Verna, who for several weeks has occupied an elegant suite of rooms at the Empire House and incidentally revealed to Akron citizens their future destinies, has left the city.

Her departure was not long premeditated. Her flight was sudden and no trace of her whereabouts remains. Police say that she took with her a gold watch, the property of a woman in this city. The lady had been employed by the fortune teller and had helped entertain the callers during the rush.

It is alleged that the woman had announced herself as an understudy of the necromancer and had given her watch in part payment for the instruction. The matter has been reported to Detective Dunn.

Grocers, Attention!
Grocers will meet at Frankfort house, opposite postoffice, Thursday evening at 7:30.
By order of President.

BUCHTEL

Will be Rebuilt on Larger
Scale.

Letter Brings Good News If True—
Trustees' Meeting.

The trustees of Buchtel college at its meeting Tuesday afternoon decided to go ahead with plans to rebuild the college on a larger and better scale. The members present were all unanimously in favor of losing no time in this matter and active operations will be commenced at once.

A press committee composed of A. W. Maynes and W. T. Sawyer was appointed to keep the subject before the public. Before the meeting adjourned a letter was read from a former student of the college. It stated that it was rumored that a wealthy citizen of Northeastern Ohio had just died and left his fortune to Buchtel college. The letter was received by Prof. H. V. Egbert. The report has not been verified.

Before the insurance upon the burned building can be adjusted a careful inventory of Bierce library must be taken. The work is progressing as rapidly as possible but it will take several days to complete it. The 6,000 volumes were all catalogued and each book must be handled separately in checking them up.

Five Dollars in Gold.

The above amount will be given as a prize to the clerk or person selling the largest number of tickets for the Pure Food Fair, Jan. 10 to 20; \$250 in gold for the second highest number sold. Information and tickets may be secured from Manager Tonjes, Frankfort hotel, opposite postoffice.

SPECIAL ELECTION

For the Fourth Ward—Successor to
Councilman Thompson.

A special election will be held in the fourth ward within the next twenty days to select a successor to Councilman Thompson.

A special meeting of the Democratic City Executive Committee has been called by Chairman H. E. Andrews to be held at the City Clerk's office next Friday night to fix the time and place of holding the ward caucus.

BURGLARY

Committed at Greentown—Death of
an Aged Resident of Comet.

Comet, Dec. 27.—The Sunday school gave the scholars candy and oranges Christmas.

John C. Buchtel was visiting his sister, Mrs. Daniel Harmon, Christmas.

Evangelist Chas. R. Scoville visited relatives here and went rabbit hunting with the boys one day last week. From here he returned to his home in Indiana. Mrs. Alexander Steese of Comet accompanied Rev. Scoville to Indiana.

Jerry Braucher had visitors from McDonaldsville, Sunday.

School has a vacation this week. Rev. Schweisberger is holding a revival meeting in the school house here this week.

Jacob Braucher died Saturday morning after a continued illness of seven years. He was buried at Mud Brook Tuesday.

David Myers is visiting in Akron. Morris Rindinger and wife of Greentown Station were visiting at this place and returned home Monday afternoon. When they got home they found that some sneak thief had ransacked the house. He got in by cutting a glass out of a window.

DOUBLE FUNERAL.

Last Rites Over Remains of Life
Long Friends.

An unusual funeral service was held at St. Paul's Episcopal church at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning. It was the performance of the last rites over the remains of Samuel Wall and Albert W. Barnes. The altar was covered with beautiful floral designs. Both were members of Akron lodge, F. & A. M. and of the Sons of St. George. The remains were consigned to a double grave in Glendale cemetery.

THE WEATHER:

Snow tonight and Thursday.



ARRIVAL OF A BRITISH TRANSPORT AT DURBAN, NATAL.

In an attack upon the Transvaal by way of the British colony Natal, Durban is the natural landing place for British troops. From Durban a railroad runs northward through Natal, enters the Transvaal and reaches Pretoria and Johannesburg, the two leading cities of the Transvaal. Thousands of British troops are now being landed at Durban.

TELEPHONED

Their Orders Direct to
Santa Claus.

Pleasant Christmas Exercises at Two
Local Sunday Schools.

Appropriate Christmas exercises were held at the First M. E. church Tuesday evening. The program was given by the scholars of the Sunday school and a large audience was present. After the entertainment a unique method of distributing candy and popcorn was put into effect. Superintendent W. A. Upham called up each class by number and took their order for the sweet goods. The order was then telephoned to Santa Claus whose headquarters were in a room above. Old "Santa" filled the orders promptly and a basket of candy and a ball of popcorn came down the wire for each pupil.

The West Hill Congregational church was the scene of a pretty Christmas celebration Tuesday night. The price of admission was "anything useful." Several bushels of potatoes were contributed, besides cereals, coffee, clothing and money. The donations will be distributed among the needy of the parish and community.

Upon the stage had been erected a representation of the chapel in which the first Christmas exercises in America were held in Santa Fe in 1649. The program concluded with a cantata "The First Christmas in America" by twenty members of the Sunday school in costume. The children gathered in the chapel and sang the musical part of the play while the description was read by Mrs. Willis E. Pettitt.

SCANDAL

Causes Excitement at
Stow Corners.

Son of Ex-Representative F. M. Green
Defendant in Sensational Case.

Stow township is excited by a social scandal. Frank A. Green, 31 years of age, the son of ex-representative Rev. F. M. Green, is charged, by Carrie Ellsworth, 22 years of age, with being the father of her child. She was a domestic at the home of Green's father. He is a prominent member of the Disciple church at Stow Corners. He was arraigned before Squire Reed of Hudson. He denied his guilt.

Official Count.

Capt. George M. Wright, adjutant of the Eighth Regiment, Captain Harry J. Blackburn, of Co. B, and Captain S. M. Swarts, of Co. H, constitute the Board of Canvassers engaged in making the official count of votes cast in the recent regimental election. The Board met in Capt. Wright's office Wednesday and began the official count.

LATE LOCALS.

Morris A. M. McCluskey, of Boston, a stranded Philippine war veteran, was given lodging at the city prison Tuesday night. He was discharged. He said he was too proud to write home for money.

The City Commissioners have ratified original agreement for vacation of Forge st.

The Independent Order of Red Cross on Tuesday night elected the following officers: Commander, Robt. Wolff; vice-commander, Chas. F. Eberle; prelate, Mrs. Katharine B. Loesch; recorder, Carl Schoen-duve; financial recorder, Otto Haase; treasurer, August Schell; first sergeant, Ernest Koppell; second sergeant, Mrs. Julia Schunemann; inner guard, Frank Hahn; outer guard, Oscar Hansen; trustee, Wm. Fischer; representative to supreme council, Chas. F. Eberle; alternate, Jacob Kessel.

Patrick Dolan, a legless beggar, was ordered out of the city Tuesday as he had money enough to pay his fare and was told to go.

Poor Director Kendall sent Romus Welch to Ravenna Tuesday. Welch is on his way to relatives in Pennsylvania.

The Akron Camera club held a very interesting meeting last evening at the club rooms. Earl Ritter gave a demonstration of toning vialto platino paper, and showed how to obtain a variety of different shades in the toning baths. His work was attentively watched by those present and all expressed their appreciation of the value of the demonstration as a means of instruction. The criticism of prints followed and proved to be so absorbing a topic that the remainder of the evening was devoted to it. The subjects of transparencies and lantern slides were postponed for a future meeting.

James H. Seiberling has sold 176 acres in Norton township, near Johnson's Corners, to Elizabeth Seiberling for \$15,000.

The appointment of Robert Tucker, of Toledo, as Assistant United States District Attorney, has been recommended by Hon. J. J. Sullivan. Tucker is a former Buchtel college student.

Mrs. Helen M. Gougar, of Wabash, Ind., the celebrated orator, who appeared here in 1896-97, is reported to have made a fortune by the sale of mining property in Joplin, Mo.

The Christmas entertainment for the members and friends of the First Congregational Sunday school will be held this evening at 7 o'clock in the Sunday school rooms. Christmas trees and Santa Claus will be there. Miss Lulu Parker with Cinderella and Gossip will amuse you.

If you want your horses sharpened or shod quick, go to Rich & Co., 411 S. Main st.

WATCHING WADE.

His Whereabouts Known
to the Officers.

He Will be Arrested If an Attempt Is
Made to Escape.

Joe Wade, the alleged murderer of Joe Turner, will be brought to justice. While Mr. Harrison would not discuss the reports from a statistical standpoint, he said the showing would speak well for the moral condition of Akron. "There are not so many dives and gambling dens in this city today as there were 10 years ago," said the Chief, "and its moral condition is not surpassed by any city of its size in the Union. Considering that we have represented in this city so many nationalities, I think Akron's citizens may well feel proud of her."

There is quite a large number of houses of ill-fame, but the number has not increased over last year. Several have been broken up by the police during the past few months and workhouse sentences are being served by those who conducted them. Gambling dens are scarce, and all places suspected are closely watched.

On South Main st. a new house of assignation has been opened. Every evening a mock prayermeeting is held, and prayers are offered in a loud voice. The window blinds are always up. The sacrilegious worshippers don't hide their lights under a bushel in this respect. Following the service beer and other liquids are dispensed and shameful orgies continue far into the night. Complaint has been made to the police and the house will likely soon be raided.

His wife is in Cleveland and Wade has been in communication with her practically all of the time. It is believed that he will soon return to that city to obtain more money, as he is now almost bankrupt. Sheriff Kelly has no doubt of arresting the man at the proper time.

PNEUMONIA

Caused Death of Council-
man F. W. Thompson.

Had Been Ill But a Few Days—
An Engineer.

Frank H. Thompson, a member of the City Council from the Fourth ward, died at his home, 124 Brown st., at 4 o'clock Wednesday morning. He had been ill but a few days. Heart failure, superinduced by pneumonia, was the cause.

He was 46 years, 10 months and 19 days of age. For 22 years he had resided in this city. He was an engineer, employed by the Erie railroad. The deceased was a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and the Foresters. Besides his immediate family, his mother, Mrs. Mary Thompson and a sister, Miss Anna Thompson of Newburg, N. Y., survive him.

The flags on the City building are at half mast today.

Police Court.

N. Laskaris has filed affidavits charging Frank, William and Pertusio Rizzo and Fred Maske, with obtaining \$100 in goods by the fraudulent use of his name. All pleaded not guilty in police court.

Henry Welch, intoxication, \$2 and costs.
Frank Wermly, accused of petit larceny, dismissed.

Herick & Sons company today placed the largest order for high grade imported porcelain ware ever sent out from this city. The company will receive 100 crates, or six car loads of ware from Johnson Bros. of Staffordshire, Eng., early in the spring.

MORAL

Condition Improved.

The Police Officers Sub-
mit Annual Report.

Less Dives Exist Than
Ten Years Ago.

Complaint Made of New Place
on South Main Street.

Sacrilegious Worshippers do Not
Fool the Public.

Within a few days the police officers will have submitted to Chief Harrison their annual report.

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Bachtel property, on Water street between Exchange and Bowery, for sale at private sale. Appraised at \$1,500.00. Can be sold at \$900-\$950 down, \$500 in one year and \$500 in two years, 6 per cent interest, secured by mortgage.
F. M. ATTERHOLT, Assignee,
Akron Sav's Bank Bldg.
Dec 19-1 wk

PERSONALS.

Mr. Harry Robinson of Akron and Miss Paul Smith of Montrose were united in marriage by C. J. Tanner at his residence, 578 W. Market st., Sunday at 1:30 p.m.

Miss Amelia Schoeninger, who is teaching in the Canton schools, is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Caroline Schoeninger, 532 E. Exchange street.

Misses Lillian and Emma Uth of Canton are visiting Miss Lillie M. Zeller, 180 Grant st.

Edson M. Robinson is visiting friends in Columbus.

Mrs. W. A. Orr and Mrs. D. Campbell and son, Willie, are visiting friends in Cleveland.

Officer Chas. Doerler was able to be out Tuesday for the first time during the past week. He was confined to his room with a carbuncle on the left cheek.

Roy Button and Fern Heathman of Akron, are spending the holidays in Cleveland.

Dancing will be held in Militant Dancing academy New Year's afternoon and evening.

The South End Athletic club will hold an invitation holiday dance in Militant hall next Friday evening.

President T. F. Walsh of the A. & C. F. R. T. Co., returned home Tuesday from a two weeks' stay at Jackson, Fla., where he had gone for his health.

Married on December 24th at the parsonage of the Trinity Reformed church by the Rev. Jas. S. Freeman, Ira S. Schrop and Mrs. Grace L. Snyder, both of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Schrop will continue to reside

at the present residence of the bride, 311 Second ave., North Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pitts and family, of Johnson's Corners, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. Kammer, of 109 Getz st., during the holidays.

Miss Emma Pitts and her brother, Karl, are the guests of Miss Anna Kammer for a week.

Miss Ina Arnold gave a banquet in honor of her mandolin club, Monday. Miss Catherine Zeptner acted as toastmistress. Many presents were exchanged to remind one another it was Christmas. Mr. Frank Paul presented Miss Arnold with a beautiful gift in behalf of the club.

Akron people registered at the Cleveland hotels Tuesday were: Charles Dick and wife, Hollenden; Mrs. T. H. Graves; T. H. Graves Jr., W. B. Hardy, A. H. Marks and wife, Colonial; J. F. Townsend, Kennard; Jennie Richardson, Hawley; F. E. Wells, H. M. Hagelbarger, E. S. Levy, Weddell.

The annual Christmas reunion of the Spiller-Adams family was held at the home of Adam Wagner, Brittain, Monday. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. A. Spiller, Akron; Robert McKenny and family, Barberton; Otto Spiller, Mrs. Edna Morris and family and Miss Emma Leiby of Akron. Officers elected for 1900 were: Robert McKenny, president; Ford Fassnacht, treasurer; Miss Myrtle Wagner, secretary, Hadfield-Cramer.

A pretty wedding, the marriage of Mr. John Hadfield and Miss Ida Cramer, took place at the home of the groom, 844 Bowery st., on Monday evening. The couple stood under a beautiful arch, against a background of palms, attended by the brother of the groom and the sister of the bride, Rev. Caywood, officiating with the ring ceremony. After congratulations a large company of friends sat down to a sumptuously laden table. Many handsome presents were received. They will reside at the home of the groom.

Entertained.

E. F. Taggart, of Christy st., traveling salesman for Taplin, Rice & Company, entertained a few members of the United Commercial Travelers' association at his home Tuesday night. Music and singing were among the entertaining features, and refreshments were served. The members present were: J. F. Doran, W. J. Doran, H. B. Wilson, George E. Koplin, John Schaeffer, A. D. Logan, Frank Labbe, Lewis E. Markle, I. H. Hess, F. Watkins, G. C. Sizer, W. R. Collette, A. E. Heintzelman and R. M. Pillsbury.

Cannon-Mabley.

Miss Charlotte Cornelia Cannon was married at high noon Wednesday, December 27th, to Prof. Arthur Hull Mabley, teacher of Latin and Greek in the High school, by the Rev. Edward Mabley, brother of the groom, of Paoli, Pa., assisted by the Rev. Jas. H. W. Blake, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church of Akron. The ceremony was performed at the elegant home of her uncle, B. C. Herrick, 718 East Market st. The house was elaborately decorated with holly and palms. Mendelssohn's wedding march was played by Miss Caryle Sylla. The best man was Mr. Hoyt Barney, of Cleveland; maid of honor was Miss Eva Mabley, sister of the groom of Cleveland. Ushers, Mr. Clarence Bill, of Cleveland, and Victor M. Herrick, of Akron. Flower girl, Dorothy Bruce, of Cleveland. Guests from out-of-town were: Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Mabley, parents of the groom; Dr. H. Mabley, brother of the groom; Mrs. H. E. Mabley, Eugene Kelly Mabley, Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Fox all of Cleveland; John Dyes, Washington, D. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Herrick, Cleveland; Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Bruce and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Austin V. Cannon, Mrs. Mary Kennedy, Mrs. May F. Whitaker, Thos. Cannon; Burt Cannon, Mrs. Capt. Willson, all of Cleveland; Mr. and Mrs. Paul, Norwalk; Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Cannon, Aurora; Mrs. Clara Landenbeck, Urbana; Dr. and Mrs. H. W. Carter, Cuyahoga Falls.

After the wedding breakfast the happy couple left for the east for their wedding trip, amidst showers of rice and hearty congratulations of their many friends. Mr. and Mrs. Mabley will be at home after Feb. 1, at 112 South Union st., this city.

Dropped Dead.

Mrs. Margaret Hummel, wife of Valentine Hummel, a groceryman of 719 South Main st., dropped dead at 12:30 Wednesday afternoon, while walking across a room. Husband and eight children survive. She was 59 years old.

Mr. Henry Tonjes, manager of the Pure Food Exposition to be given at Assembly hall, Jan. 10 to 20, arrived in Akron today, to remain here until after the exposition. He will have headquarters at the Frankfort (formerly Raymond) house on East Market st.